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MARCH 2013
ANNO SOCIETATUS XLVIII

Attention Caerthens!
The Fortress has a magnificent name just like the many magnificent castles that were fortresses throughout Europe. I want to picture a different Fortress, or portion of a fortress each month. Inside I will put a little history of the castle or portion of the castle displayed on our cover.

I ask for your help. If you have a drawing or picture of a castle that you took of a favorite Fortress that you care to share, please fill out the permission form located on the Baronial web site and forward that with the drawing or picture to me at Chronicler@caerthe-sca.org. Please contact me if you have any questions.

YIS,
Jorunn nic Lochlainn

Blarney Castle in located in Blarney Ireland not far from Cork and is the chosen fortress for our cover this month in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Castle Blarney is the home of the famous Blarney stone. The Blarney stone is a block of blue stone built into the castle wall. The legend is if you kiss the Blarney Stone you will have the gift of 'gab', meaning you would be an eloquent speaker. If you look up Blarney in the dictionary one meaning is 'deceptive talk'.

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	Lord Argyl; THLady Jorunn
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Sword of Chivalry	Lord Sebastian
Archery Warden	THLady Celestina
Crossbow Champion	Master Daffyd of Emmett
Premier Blade	Master Domin d'Alsace
Blade of Chivalry	Mistress Kseniya Mikhailovna Morskaya
A&S Champion	Lord Alasdair McDubghaill
Blackthorn Bard	Mistress Catrin von Berlin

Weapon Practices

Heavy Fighter Practice: Held Thursdays, 6:30–9:15 pm
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Archery Practice:
Mondays at Gander Mtn 6 til 9pm . Gander Mountain - 14000 E. Jewell Ave., Aurora Co. 80012, (right off of I-225) Cost: $5.00
Scout Park Practice is cancelled until Spring.
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Baronial Business Meetings:

Meetings are open to the populace:
The Barony of Caerthe holds its Business Meeting and populace gathering on the first Monday of each month from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. We meet on the first floor of the Englewood Civic Center in one of the two large conference rooms (generally in the Perrin Room).
Address: 1000 Englewood Parkway, Englewood, CO 80110.

Directions: Take best route to the intersection of Santa Fe Dr and W. Hampden Ave. Turn east on Hampden Ave. to S. Inca Way. Turn north on Inca Way, then immediately left into the subterranean parking garage. The Englewood Library will be on the left side of the road where Inca Way intersects with Englewood Pkwy.

Seneschals Report

Greetings Unto The Populace of Caerthe,

With my time as seneschal at an end, I hope that you can look back on my tenure in a positive manner. I note that there were a number of changes that took place, controversies that arose, and policies that were implemented. I hope that you found that the changes were for the better, the controversies were soundly resolved, and the new polices were for the better.

I knew that in taking on the position I might have to make decisions that would irk people. It was never my goal, however, to so do. Rather, I was trying to act in a way that would help Caerthe. If anything I did as seneschal continues to bother you, please seek me out. I would be happy to further discuss the issue with you.

Serving as seneschal was far more rewarding than I ever would have thought. I do not think that it would have been as rewarding though, had there not been great officers serving Caerthe. Their efforts greatly helped the barony. I do not think I thanked them enough and cannot hope to admirably do so here. Nonetheless, I do wish to thank every one of the officers who served during my tenure. I also want to thank all the event stewards who ran events and volunteers who worked on various projects or did little things to improve the barony. The people in this barony make it a great place to be!

Caerthe, it has been my honor and privilege to serve as seneschal. Thank you for allowing me this opportunity. Please give my successor, Lord Cillene, the same support you gave me. I look forward to continuing to be an active member of the barony and hope to see you in these current middle ages.

YIS,
THL Jethro Stille
Seneschal of Caerthe

Barony of Caerthe
February 1 - February 28, 2013

Starting Balanace				$ 12,150.75
Income	Dinner & a Tourney	$ 130.00		
	SCA - Outlands	$ 1,645.63		
	Total Income	$ 1,775.63		
Expenses				
	SCA - Outlands - NMS	$ 200.00		
	Dinner & a Tourney - Food	$ 26.38		
	2014 12th ight Site Deposit	$ 200.00		
	Total Expenses	$ 426.38		
Ending Balance				$ 13,500.00
General Fund				$ 12,430.73
Allocated Funds				
	Archery	$ 809.27		
	Cook's Guild		$ 53.78	
	Equestrians Guild		$ 405.67	
	Fencers	$ 150.40		
	Fighters	$ (1,144.60)		
	Fortress	$ 23.23		
	Heralds	$ 63.52		
	Leatherworkers Guild		$ 33.00	
	Scribes	$ 170.16		
	Travel Fund		$ 504.84	
	Total Allocated Funds		$ 1,069.27	

THLord Johann of the Northern Moors
Exchequer

Chronicler Report

The March Fortress will be distributed March 6th. The Baronial meeting on March 4th will hinder editing abilities so distribution will delayed one day.

The February edition of the Fortress had 26 pages and was distributed to 81 people.

Yours in Service,
Jorunn nic Lochlainn
Aka Cathie Brailey

Minister of Lists Report

Greetings to all from the Caerthe Minister of the Lists,

In February we held the Winterfest Tournaments. The Fencing tourney was on Feburary 14, with 16 fencers. the winner was Dona Tatiana. The Heavy Tournament was held on Feburary 20, with 5 fighters. The winner was Ali.

YIS,

Isabella Richardi

Sent from my iPad

Yours in service,
Isabella

Webmaster Report

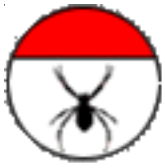
Unto all who come by these letters, greetings.

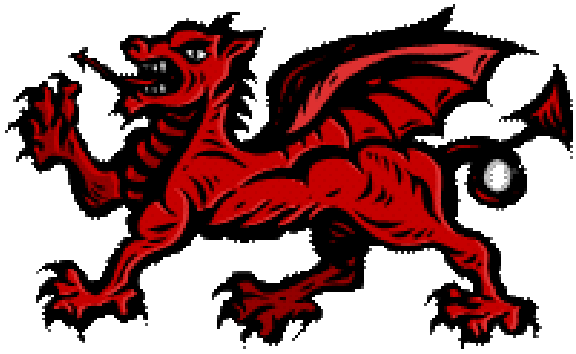
February saw a total of 837 unique visitors, 1,435 visits (averaging 1.71 visits per visitor), totaling in 25,759 hits, with 463 MB of bandwidth used. These numbers are down from last month.

The biggest addition to the site is The Fortress, which can now be found (along with back issues through 2011) under the Library menu tab. I also changed some of the officer listings to reflect if those with grant-level awards were “Honorable Lords” or “Honorable Ladies.” Two additional archery practices were also added.

I received one Canton report, from Hawks Hollow.

YIS,
Rónán Supélach
Webminister, Caerthe





DRAGON DOODLE

Tri-Baronial A&S Competition

First Universalist Church; 4101 E. Hampden Avenue; Denver CO 80222

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Site Fee: $10.00 for Adults; $5.00 for Children (age 16 and under); $25.00 family cap - A $5.00 non-member surcharge applies. Please make checks payable to: SCA-Caerthe

Site Restrictions: SITE IS DRY with the exception of Brewing Entries. Only the Brewing Judges will be allowed to sample the Brewing entries. NO SMOKING except for in the parking lot or in the small park on the north side of the building, away from all entrances. Please dispose of smoking items responsibly and do not leave butts on the ground.

Site opens at 8:00 am for set up Gate opens at 9:00 am Site Closes at 5:00 pm
All entries are required to be on-site and checked in no later than 10:00 AM on the day of the event

On March 23, 2013, Caerthe, Caer Galen , and Unser Hafen will gather together in the venerable Barony of Caerthe, for a day of Arts & Sciences. Each Barony will choose their Arts and Sciences Champion. The traditional kingdom level categories will be used for the competition entries, and we are bringing back the "Inspired by SCA Life" Category. For those who are involved with Brewing, you will be able have your entries judged on site. Everyone from the Kingdom of the Outlands is invited participate. All are eligible to compete for division categories but only Barony members will be eligible for Baronial Champion. There are additional activities planned for the day. Among them will be a competition between the Shires, Cantons, and Schools within the kingdom for recognition and a prize awarded to the highest scoring artisan.

The fun continues with advent of the Multi-Baronial Team Challenge competition. There will also be an opportunity for artisans to display their works or for members of the populace to come learn a new skill.

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Due to the limited number of purveyors of food near the site, the Event Stewards invite one and all to join us for a pot luck lunch. We ask that you make enough for yourself and to share with 10 other people. If you are either unable cook or are too busy, for a small donation (which will go to the Kingdom Travel Fund) you are welcome to join us for lunch as well.

Important Things to Remember

*Last date to **Register your Entries and to submit your research projects for Judging**: Saturday, March 9, 2013*

Please send Research Papers to: Lady Katrein Adler; c/o Debbie Strauser; 991 S. Ironton St.; Aurora, CO 80012

Please note that the deadline for submitting research papers DO NOT APPLY to those who are entering Unser Hafen's A&S Champion Competition.

*Last date to **Pre-Register To Teach a Class or to Judge**: Saturday, March 9, 2013 (pre-registered Teachers and Judges will be eligible for a special thank you from the Event Stewarts).*
*Last date to **Register your Diplays**: March 9, 2013*

The Event Stewards are working to bring you a fun, educational event so be on the lookout for more details on our website found at https://sites.google.com/site/2013tribaronialas/ and throughout the various email lists.

Directions:

From the Denver Tech Center and areas south: Take your best route to I-25 Northbound. Take the Hampden Exit. Go west on Hampden Ave 1.1 miles. The Church is on the right hand side. If you get to Colorado Blvd you have gone too far.
From North Denver and areas north:

Raven's Faire in Venice!

Who: The Canton of Ravenhyrst, within the Barony of Caerthe will host 'Raven's Faire in Venice!"

What: The Canton's annual Faire returns with a trip to the Beautiful Canals of Venice!

Join the Canton of Ravenhyrst as we pole down the canals, play games of chance, and revel and dance through the streets of Venice. This year's Faire will be a fun and activity filled day. The format is changing a slight bit to take advantage of the evening hours to dance and sing! There will be something for everyone!

Activities: *Heavy Fighting* – a Gondola Fight and many more fun scenarios!

New to Raven's Faire – Rapier Fighting – do you dare to participate in the Poison Tourney?

Games – Dice games, board games, gondola races, games of skill and chance!

Make and Takes – Doge hats, masks, mosaics, catapults and a Build a Bridge contest

Children's Activities – A Catacomb maze, gondola making, foam weapons battles and much more!

What is Venice without *Music*? Join the ***Gondolier Battle*** – bring your best and silliest water themed bardic piece.

And as we venture for the first time into the evening hours, *Dancing*!

Our fundraising theme this year is Quarantine – did you get exposed to the plague? Did your friend or neighbor? Put them in quarantine!

Food: This year's food will be a la carte but different removes served throughout the day ending with dessert in the evening.

Some offerings are likely to be:

Ravioli!

Calzone

Antipasti

Cinnamon Cakes

Being a Faire - this event is designed with a 'pay as you go' format:

Site fee is $5.00 per person, and you purchase Ventian Lira to participate in some of the activities and food.

When: Saturday, April 27, 2013

11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Where: Douglas County Fairgrounds – Kirk Hall

500 Fairgrounds Drive, Castle Rock, Colorado

Directions from the North:

Take I-25 south to the Plum Creek Exit #181. Turn left at the signal onto Plum Creek Parkway. Go east on Plum Creek Parkway, approximately one mile to Fairgrounds Road (the 3rd signal light). Turn left on Fairgrounds Road.

Directions from the South:

Take I-25 north to the Plum Creek Exit #181. Turn right onto Plum Creek Parkway at the signal light. Go east on Plum Creek Parkway, approximately one mile to Fairgrounds Road. Turn left on Fairgrounds Road.

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More details will soon be posted on our website at www.ravenhyrst.org and through our Facebook event page.

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Guilds, Classes & Meetings

Brewers Guild – Inactive

Cooks Guild: Mistress Catrin von Berlin called Gwen Cat;
http://rowdy.mscd.edu/~grasse/cooksguild1.htm

Embroidery Guild: Inactive

Leatherworkers Guild: THL Forrester: Quartermaster@Caerthe-SCA.org;
720-560-0627 – Postposed till the fall

Scribes Guild: Inactive

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Cooks Guild

What a great March meeting for Caerthe's Cooks Guild on Sunday March 3, 2013.
Mistress Kseniya and THL Johann hosted (thank you) and Kseniya made the blini batter (a 3 hour project) in advance. Then several folks took turn frying blini and everyone enjoyed the bountiful spread.
Attendees included our wonderful hosts, THL Thalia, Lady Richenda, Lord Pai and his lady and their 3 offspring, Baron William Petheram, Lady Elizabeth Freemountain, and Mistress Kate. The groaning board held blinis, sour cream, jams, caviar, berries, a soft cheese spread, bread pudding, a topping for the pudding, libations, candy orange peel, a ham and egg pie, lox, sausage, pickled herring, sausage and cheese tidbits, the required bread and salt, and from our newest and youngest guild participant, some very yummy and pretty sugar cookies.
THANK you all for your tasty contributions to the meeting and the conversation.
In April Cooks Guild will go on a shopping expedition into old downtown Littleton. We plan to explore Savory Spice, Penzeys, and EVOO Marketplace (and any other shop that may catch our eye) with perhaps a stop for sustenance after we finish our purchases. Please wear mundanes and bring funds if you wish to make purchases.
The date is Sunday, April 14, Time is 1:30pm, meeting place is still to be determined (perhaps the light rail park and ride in Littleton. Please contact Mistress Catrin via the lists, website, or at tgrcat2001ATyahoo DOTcom to confirm the location closer to the meeting date.
In service
Catrin von Berlin called Gwen Cat

Canton of Hawk's Hollow

The Canton of Hawk's Hollow is a subsidiary branch of the Barony of Caerthe representing the northern Denver metropolitan area including the cities of Westminster, Thornton, Northglenn & Commerce City.

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Populace Meetings:
Held in the O'Meara Ford Community Room on the fourth Tuesday of the Month (barring conflict) from 7pm to 9pm.

Directions: From I-25 and 104th Ave, go West to Melody Dr. Make a U-turn so you are heading East on 104th. O'Meara is between Melody and Bannock on the south side of 104th Ave.

"Parking: You can park either in front (by the Heidi's Deli) or on the west side of the building."

Archery:
Outdoor archery in the Fall and Winter is subject to weather. Please contact the Archery Captain for current practice information.

For more information:
Go to the Canton of Hawk's Hollow website at
www.hawkshollow.org
Canton of Hawk's Hollow - 3608 West 85th Avenue, Westminster, CO 80031

Scola Metallorum

The College of Scola Metallorum is another subsidiary branch of the Barony and represents the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, CO.

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College of three spires

The College of Three Spires received its full status at Caerthen 12th Night on January 6, 2007. It is associated with the colleges at the Metro campus in Denver.

At present, there are not sufficient members for the college to be active. If you are a student attending Metro, and are interested in holding one of the offices below, please contact the Adviser, Mistress GwenCat at the contact listed below.

Seneschal, Knight Marshal, Exchequer, Webminister, Rapier Marshal or Macer Herald

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Business Meetings: First Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at The Celtic Tavern, Riverside Downs in Littleton. 2620 W Belleview Ave, Littleton, CO 80123. This is just past Santa Fe (to the West) on Belleview.

Populace Gatherings: Have concluded for the winter months and will resume again after the snows end for the year sometime in Spring of 2011 at Cornerstone Park in the SW corner of the park, noon to 4 pm. 5150 S. Windermere St., Englewood, CO. There will be announcements on the Canton web site, as well as the Canton Newsletter and the newsletters of our many good neighbors around this region of the Kingdom of the Outlands.

Fighter Practice: Runs concurrent with Populace Gatherings, in same location.

Monthly Populace Pot-luck and Class: Lone Tree Civic Center, dates each month are posted on Readstan Yahoo Group list and freely cross-posted to other local lists and open to all who wish to attend. Everyone is welcome!

Canton of Ravenhyrst

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Populace Meetings:
Held Quarterly
Next Populace will be February 10 at 5 PM. Join us for the meeting and stay for a potluck. Meeting will be held at the home of THL Signy and Lord Brynki. Directions can be found on the Yahoogroup and website.

Fighter Practices (Fencing and Heavy Weapons):
Suspended for winter.

Archery Practices:
No Archery practice during the winter months.

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